Public Notice - Public Hearing

The City of Wichita will hold a public hearing Wednesday, January 25, 2006 at 6:00 p.m. in the Board Room, First Floor, City Hall, 455 N. Main. The public hearing will provide citizens an opportunity to express their views on housing and community development needs, including priority non-housing community development needs of the City of Wichita. Interested citizens are invited to attend this meeting or present written comments on the City's housing and community development needs, including currently adopted Priority Needs. Citizens may also provide views of how Community Development Block Grant, Home Investment Partnerships, and Emergency Shelter Grant funds are to be used by the City.

The City of Wichita is eligible to receive combined grant funding, including program income, of \$5,138,083. Entitlement funds expected to be available for the three grant programs are as follows: Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) \$3,107,364 grant; Home Investment Partnerships (HOME) \$1,903,630 grant; and Emergency Shelter Grant (ESG) \$127,089 grant.

Activities that can be assisted under the CDBG program include acquisition, disposition, public facilities and improvements, clearance, public services, rehabilitation, code enforcement, economic development, planning activities and administration. Activities eligible for assistance under the HOME program include homeownership, deferred loans, infill construction and administration. Activities eligible for assistance under the ESG program include rehabilitation, maintenance and operations, essential services, homeless prevention and administration.

A copy of the City's adopted Priority Needs may be obtained from Housing & Community Services Department – Community Investments, 332 N. Riverview, telephone 462-3723. Written comments may be submitted to the Housing & Community Services Department – Community Investments by 5:00 P.M., January 25, 2006.